

Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects
Board Emergency Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2011

PURPOSE OF THE EMERGENCY MEETING

An emergency meeting of the Board of Engineers and Architects was convened through a conference call initiated at the Board office, 215 Centennial Mall South, Suite, 400, Lincoln, Nebraska, to discuss the engagement of an outside investigator for a one-time purpose of representing the Board with regard to Compliance Case 11.12 and consider an emergency request for a professional engineering examination. Printed notice of this meeting was posted the previous week electronically on the Board's website and physically on the office doors.

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Kester called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. No member of the public was in attendance at the office location.

Participating in the meeting via conference call: Krista Kester, Chair; Tom Laging, Secretary; Mark Champion; Fred Choobineh; Michael Konzett; Jennifer Klein; Lori Krejci. **Absent:** Roger Helgoth, Vice Chair. **Staff Present:** Jon Wilbeck, Executive Director (ED); Sandra Weaver, Administrator (AD).

Application

Special Case - Application to take the PPE

Sarah Mechtenberg, Environmental, NE. (The NCEES registration window closes for the October examination after September 9.)

Action Motion by Laging, second by Konzett to approve Sarah Mechtenberg to change her PPE examination discipline from civil to environmental. Voting Yes: Choobineh, Konzett, Klein, Krejci, Champion, Laging, Kester. Voting No: None. Absent: Helgoth.

Compliance

Executive Session – Commenced at 4:05 p.m.

Action Motion by Choobineh, second by Konzett to enter into executive session for discussion of Compliance Case 11.12, not a matter of public information, to prevent needless injury to the reputation of those involved. The limitation for going into executive session was restated by Chair Kester. Voting Yes: Champion, Choobineh, Konzett, Klein, Krejci, Laging, Kester. Voting no: None. Absent: Helgoth.

Executive Session – Concluded at 4:21 p.m.

Action Motion by Konzett, second by Krejci to close executive session for discussion of Compliance Case 11.12, not a matter of public information, to prevent needless injury to the reputation of those involved. The limitation for going into executive session was restated by Chair Kester. Voting Yes: Champion, Choobineh, Konzett, Klein, Krejci, Laging, Kester. Voting no: None. Absent: Helgoth.

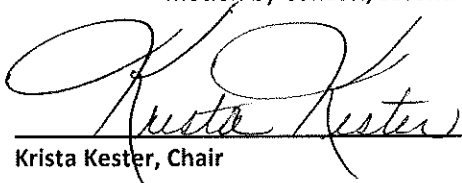
Compliance Case 11.12 – Engagement of an outside investigator

A contract with an outside investigator and his firm would provide Board representation as a Special Assistant Attorney General for Compliance Case 11.12 at an hourly rate of \$230 per hour with additional direct costs billed at their cost. The investigator is authorized to engage a professional civil engineer consultant licensed in another state to assist with the investigation. The investigator will be reimbursed for reasonable fees and costs incurred for the engagement of a consultant.

Action Motion by Choobineh, second by Konzett to approve the contract with an outside investigator for a one-time purpose of representing the Board in regard to an investigation of Compliance Case 11.12, contingent on approval from the Attorney General's Office. Voting Yes: Champion, Choobineh, Konzett, Klein, Krejci, Laging, Kester. Voting no: None. Absent: Helgoth.
ED Wilbeck will inform members when the Attorney General's approval is obtained. All files for the case will be handed over to the investigator after the agreement is signed.

Adjournment

Motion by Konzett, second by Krejci to adjourn the telephonic meeting at 4:24 p.m.



Krista Kester, Chair